

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE  
FOREST SERVICE  
CARIBOU-TARGHEE NATIONAL FOREST  
ASHTON/ISLAND PARK RANGER DISTRICT

**OCCUPANCY AND USE**  
Mesa Falls

**PROHIBITIONS:** Pursuant to 36 CFR 261.50 (b), the following act is prohibited within the areas described in this order, all within the Ashton/Island park Ranger District, Caribou-Targhee National Forest until further notice.

1. All areas surrounding the public walkway within the Upper Mesa Falls Developed Recreational Site are closed for public entry. **36 CFR 261.58(b)**

**EXEMPTIONS:** Pursuant to 36 CFR 261.50(e), the following persons are exempt from this order:

1. Persons with a permit specifically exempting them from the effect of this Order.
2. Any Federal, State, or local officer, or member of an organized rescue or fire fighting force in the performance of an official duty.

**AREA DESCRIBED:**

The area of the Caribou-Targhee National Forest, Ashton/Island Park Ranger District, Upper Mesa Falls Scenic area, located in SEC 13; T10N: R43E of the Boise Meridian. All areas surrounding the developed public walkway for scenic viewing, directly south of the Visitor Center.

**PURPOSE:**

This closure is necessary to provide public safety due to the high viewing elevations and unstable lands.

**IMPLEMENTATION:**

1. This Order will be in effect when signed and shall remain in effect until further notice.
2. Any violation of this prohibition is punishable by a fine of not more than \$5,000.00 for a individual or \$10,000 for an organization, and/or imprisonment for not more than six (6) months. [Title 16 USC 551, Title 18 USC 3571 (b)(6), Title 18 USC 3581 (b)(7)].
3. This Order supersedes any previous orders prohibiting the same acts covered by this Order in the above-described area.

Done at Idaho Falls, Idaho this 27 day of January, 2010.



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